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## OTHER DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS (CONT'D)

**Specialized Transit and Procurement Grants (FTA Section 5310)** provide capital grants to meet the transportation needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities where public mass transportation services are otherwise unavailable, insufficient or inappropriate.

For more information call (916) 654-6990

**Non-Urbanized Area Formula Grants (FTA Section 5311)** offer capital and operating funds for public transportation in rural areas.

For more information call (916) 657-4587

**Job Access and Reverse Commute (FTA Section 5316) Grants** provide funds to help improve mobility and economic opportunity for welfare recipients and other low-income people through the provision of new or expanded transportation services in rural and small, urbanized areas (population of 200,000 or less).

For more information call (916) 654-8074

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## RESOURCE FOR TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANTS



The California Department of Transportation

## INTRODUCTION

California Department of Transportation Planning Grants provide funding for:

- Public and intermodal transportation planning studies
- Training and development of transit planning professionals
- Environmental Justice in transportation planning
- Transportation and land-use planning projects that support livable communities

Transportation planning grants are intended to strengthen the economy, promote equity, and protect the environment. The results of these grants should improve mobility and lead to the programming and implementation of transportation improvement projects. These projects should also emphasize safety, jobs, housing, transportation, context-sensitive planning, sustainable communities, public participation, and reduced traffic congestion.

This brochure provides information on grants offered through Caltrans' Planning Grants program.

For detailed information on a specific grant, visit <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.htm> or request information by filling out and mailing the detachable information request card.

TRANSIT PLANNING

Transit Planning funds must be used for transit related planning projects and require an 11.47% non-federal match. The following are the three Transit Planning grant categories and the types of projects each support:



**Statewide Transit Planning Studies**  
Aimed at reducing urban transportation demand and improve transit services. To qualify, studies need to have statewide or multi-regional

significance, as well as reflect a critical need, improve public involvement and government-to-government relations, and enhance planning and implementation efforts for state, regional or local transportation services and projects.

**Transit Technical Planning Assistance**  
Assist in public/intermodal transportation planning studies in rural and small urban transit service areas of California with a transit service area of 100,000 population or less. Studies must result in increased efficiency, increased use, and expansion of rural and small urban public transit systems.

**Transit Professional Development**  
Provide training and development for transit planning professionals and fund transit related student internships.

PARTNERSHIP PLANNING

Fund studies having statewide benefit/multi-regional significance performed by the applicant, with participation from Caltrans, or projects that make improvements to the state or regional transportation system. Additionally, these studies/

projects should reflect a critical need, improve public involvement, improve government-to-government relations, and enhance planning and implementation efforts for state, regional or local transportation services and projects. These grants require a 20% non-federal match.

For more information about Transit Planning or Partnership Planning Grants, call (916) 654-8175

STATE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

**Community-Based Transportation Planning**  
Provide planning funds that support livable communities (such as long-term economic development, multimodal linkages, jobs/housing balance), coordinate land-use and transportation planning, reflect community values, and include non-traditional participants in transportation decision making. These grants require a local 20% match with a maximum 10% in-kind contribution allowed.



For more information call (916) 653-9966

**Environmental Justice: Context-Sensitive Planning**  
Studies promoting participation from or providing funding for transportation planning efforts that affect low-income, minority communities and Native American Tribal Governments. These grants provide funding for planning-related projects that promote environmental justice in local planning, contribute to the early and continuous involvement of low-income and minority communities in the planning and decision-making process, improve mobility and

access for under-served communities, and create a business climate that leads to more economic opportunities, services and affordable housing. Requires a local match of 10% with a 5% in-kind contribution maximum.

For information about Environmental Justice: Context-Sensitive Planning Grants call (916) 651-6889

OTHER DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT PROGRAMS

**Safe Routes to School (SR2S)**  
makes federal funds available to state, local, and regional agencies, along with non-profit organizations for projects that enhance bicycling and walking for young children. Infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects are eligible.

For more information call (916) 653-6920

**Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA)**  
provides state funds for city and county projects that improve safety and convenience for bicycle commuters.

For more information call (916) 653-0036

**New Freedom Program (FTA Section 5317)**  
Provides grant funds to address the transportation needs of persons with disabilities that go beyond those required by the Americans with Disabilities Act.

For more information call (916) 654-9493



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